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Expert Meeting on Electronic Commerce
and International Transport Services: Best Practices
for Enhancing the Competitiveness of Developing Countries
Geneva, 26 September 2001
Item 2 of the provisional agenda

PROVISIONAL AGENDA AND ANNOTATIONS

I. Provisional agenda

1. Election of officers

2. Adoption of the agenda and organization of work

3. Electronic commerce and international transport services

4. Adoption of the outcome of the Meeting

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II. Annotations to the provisional agenda

Item 1 - Election of officers

1. It is recommended that the Expert Meeting elect a Chairperson and a Vice-Chairperson-cum-Rapporteur.

Item 2 - Adoption of the agenda and organization of work

2. The provisional agenda for the Expert Meeting is reproduced in section I above. The Expert Meeting will have three days, from 26 to 28 September 2001, to complete its work. The provisional schedule of meetings for the three days is attached to this document.

Item 3 - Electronic commerce and international transport services: Best Practices for Enhancing the Competitiveness of Developing Countries

3. As agreed by member States during open-ended informal consultations of the President of the Trade and Development Board, the Expert Meeting will consider the impact of electronic commerce on international transport services, including challenges facing the transport industry, particularly in developing countries, and identifying best practices for enhancing the competitiveness of developing countries. The document prepared by the secretariat, entitled "Electronic commerce and international transport services" (TD/B/COM.3/EM.12/2), is intended to facilitate discussions during the Expert Meeting. It presents an overview of the impact of electronic commerce on international transport services, its effect on transport operations an practices, including legal and documentary aspects, and issues and problems which arise in this context and need to be addressed.

Documentation

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Item 4 - Adoption of the outcome of the Meeting

4. The Expert Meeting will adopt its findings/conclusions at the end of the Meeting. The final report will be compiled under the authority of the Chairman after the conclusion of the Meeting.

Provisional schedule of meetings

Wednesday, 26 September 2001	Thursday, 27 September 2001	Friday, 28 September 2001
(10 a.m. - 1 p.m.) Plenary - Opening statement - Item 1: Election of officers - Item 2: Adoption of the agenda and organization of the Meeting Introduction of item 3 - Informals - Item 3: Electronic commerce and international transport services	**(10 a.m. - 1 p.m.)** Informals (continued) Item 3: (continued)	**(10 a.m. - 1 p.m.)** Informals (continued) Consideration of the outcome of the Meeting
(3 p.m. - 6 p.m.) Informals (continued) Item 3: (continued)	**(3 p.m. - 6 p.m.)** Informals (continued) Item 3: (continued)	**(3 p.m. - 6 p.m.)** Informals (continued) Consideration of the outcome of the Meeting Plenary (closing) Adoption of the outcome